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GLORIA MOLINA TO PRESENT EXPERT VOTING RIGHTS TESTIMONY AT L.A. COUNTY REDISTRICTING MEETING

Final Redistricting Decision to Take Place This Afternoon

LOS ANGELES (September 27, 2011)—Los Angeles County Supervisor Gloria Molina will present expert testimony on the Voting Rights Act, racially polarized voting, and other pertinent issues at today's Board of Supervisors meeting where the final vote on county redistricting will take place this afternoon. Copies of their testimony will be available upon request.

Testimony and Final Vote on Los Angeles County Redistricting WHAT:

WHEN: Tuesday, September 27, 2011 at 11 a.m.

WHERE: Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Meeting Room

500 West Temple Street, Room 381B

Los Angeles, California 90012

WHO: Los Angeles County Supervisor Gloria Molina

Rep. Esteban Torres (retired)

Prof. Joaquin Avila - Seattle University School of Law

Prof. Matt Barreto - University of Washington, Associate Professor of Political

Science and Director of the Institute for the Study of Ethnicity and Race

Arturo Vargas - Executive Director, National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO)

Rhonda Ortiz - Prroject Manager, USC Program for Environmental and Regional Equity as well as the USC Center for the Study of Immigrant Integration Dr. Hector Flores - Chair of the Department of Family Medicine at White Memorial Medical Center

Sylvia Mendez - School desegregation activist who, more than six decades ago, took the fight for school desegregation to U.S. Supreme Court via the Mendez v. Westminster case

Prof. Gary Orfield - UCLA Professor of Education and Co-Director of the Civil Rights Project/Proyecto Derechos Civiles

Irma Muñoz - Executive Director of Mujeres de la Tierra, a non-profit group from the San Gabriel Valley which focuses on bringing more parks and river projects to underserved communities

David De Mers - San Gabriel Conservation Corps, a community-based job training program for at-risk youth

Claire Robinson - Executive Director of Amigos de los Rios, which works to bring Los Angeles River, San Gabriel River, and Rio Hondo revitalization projects to fruition